

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

Replacement sheets of formal drawings are submitted herewith to be substituted for the sheets of formal drawings submitted on May 13, 2005, which were not designated as replacement sheets.

REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

New formal drawings are submitted herewith properly marked as "Replacement Sheet".

Claims 2, 3, 24 and 25 have been cancelled. The subject matter of these claims is adequately covered by the claims now remaining.

Claim 12, rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Kraus (U.S. 4,558,494), has been amended to recite a device for holding a piece in a bore, to recite that the cylindrical sleeve is constructed to be inserted into the bore and held therein by engagement of its outer surface with an inner surface of the bore, the ends of the sleeve being substantially identical and exposed for insertion in the bore, as recited in allowed Claim 1. The claim has also been amended to recite that each fin is tapered by having each longitudinal end that extends away from a respective longitudinal end of the sleeve and away from the inner surface of the sleeve. Claim 12 and the claims dependent thereon now clearly distinguish patentably from Kraus and should be allowed.

Claim 26, rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kraus in view of Szczukowski (U.S.

6,280,132), has been amended to recite the ends of the sleeve being substantially identical and exposed for insertion in the bore, like allowed Claims 1, 29, 40, and 51. Kraus does not teach or suggest the invention now recited in Claim 26, and the deficiencies of Kraus are not cured by Szczukowski. Claim 26 and the claims dependent thereon should now be allowed.

A Terminal Disclaimer is submitted herewith to overcome the double-patenting rejection.

All of the claims now presented are believed to be allowable.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 50-1165 any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 that may be required by this paper and to credit any overpayment to that Account. If any extension of time is required in connection with the filing of this paper and has not been requested separately, such extension is hereby requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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